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THE EXCITEMENT/ANTICIPATION IS HERE! By the time you read this, the **Heard Island DXpedition** should have started or is about to start. The team is reportedly on the island, and some of the beacons are active. The NCDXF beacon will run from the island as **VK0IR** with an R5 vertical. It will transmit on 14.100, 18.110, 21.150, 24.930 and 28.200 MHz. The beacon transmits for ten seconds on each band every three minutes. The VK0IR transmission on twenty meters is at one minute and ten seconds after the hour and every three minutes after that. The transmissions on the other bands follow every ten seconds with the ten meter transmission starting at one minute and fifty seconds after the hour and every three minutes after that. On each frequency, it sends VK0IR in CW at 100W, then 1 second long steady tones at 100, 10, 1 and 0.1 W and then moves to the next higher frequency. The latest beacon information is available from WWW.NCDXF.ORG. Lastly, I would like to make a pitch for the DXpedition team. PLEASE, PLEASE and PLEASE during the operation listen to the operators request and DO NOT, DO NOT, and DO NOT transmit on their transmit frequencies. The important thing is to "LISTEN AND THINK" before doing. A lot of money has been invested in this operation, and I do believe everyone will have a chance to work them. Good luck in the pile-up... 73 de Tedd KB8NW ADDED NOTE: OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive additional information on the operation.

8P, BARBADOS. Glenn, VA3DX, will be going to Barbados once again for this year's **160 Meters CQWW CW Contest**. He will arrive there on **January 19th**, and will be active for **2 weeks** as **8P9DX** (he has held this call since 1987). He will be active on all bands, but will concentrate on the lower bands, mainly on CW and especially on 160 meters. He plans to make this a serious effort in the contest trying to beat last year's score. He is hoping that someone in Idaho will call him in this year's contest. QSL via VE3ICR, Glenn Wyant, 74 Highland Ave., St.Catharines, Ontario, L2R-4J1, Canada.

ANTARCTICA ACTIVITY. Several stations have been reported active. Bob, K4MZU, suggests to keep on the lookout for the following:

- **KC4/KL7RL** - Operator Art from **Patriot Hills** will be looking for Europe on

Wednesdays 2000 and 2100z 14260 kHz. Also, Sundays at 1700/1800z and 2000/2100z on 14260 kHz.

- **VK0MAP** - Operator Mike from the **South Pole Station** is active 2200-0300z on 14243 or 14270 kHz. Mike's old call last year was VP8MAP. He is the only VK0 ever licensed for South Pole. He goes QRT at the end of January.
- **LU1ZS** - Operator Pedro from the **Camara Base** is active 2300-0100z usually between 14190-240. (En El Espanol)
- **LU8EYK/z** - Operator Jorge, LU4EDL, from the **Beyes Base Camp on Livingston Island** can be found daily on 14331 kHz at 0100z passing family traffic.
- **CE9MFK** - Operator Oswaldo from **Sherriff Base** is active on 14245 kHz at 0030z. (En El Espanol)
- **KC4AAC** - Location is **Palmer Station**. Greg, WB7CHV, will be active soon.
- **CE9SAC** - Operator Juan from **Teniente Carvajal Base** is active on 14195 kHz from 2200-0100z.
- **KC4/KC8CWI- South Pole Station** is active on Sat/Sun 20 meters.

JX, JAN MAYEN. Be watching on 80 meters SSB for Per, LA7DFA, who is currently active as **JX7DFA until April**. He plans to concentrate on this band during January. He will be changing his location in February to the western side of the island. From his new location he will be able to run high power and with better antennas. He will also concentrate on 80 and 160 meters. QSL via his home callsign or via the bureau.

NEW DXCC COUNTRY??? Joe, K2YJL, reports reading in a recent issue of *Caribbean Magazine*, "that the residents of **Nevis** will vote later this year to secede from the union with St. Kitts. If this happens, they will become the smallest island nation in the Caribbean."

P4, ARUBA. Mike, K4PI will be active as **P49I** from **January 22-28th**. He will be active in the **CQWW 160M CW Contest**. Mike states he will also be active before and after the contest on CW on the lower bands and the WARC bands. QSL via K4PI. Also, look for Andy, K2LE, to be active at the **end of month** or the **beginning of February** as **P4/K2LE**. QSL to CBA.

PJ, ST. EUSTATIUS. Mike, K3UOC, will be active as **PJ5AA** from **January 24-28th**. Activity will be on all bands plus participation in the **CQWW 160 Meter Contest**. QSL to W1AF.

SSTV ACTIVITY. The "DX News Sheet" reports two stations from **Israel, 4X4FD** and **4Z4UT** have been active on the 20 meters SSTV frequency.

USI ALERT (OR-new). John, NL7TB, will attempt to activate the first **Oregon saltwater island** for USI (United States Island award program), **Haystack Rock** at Cannon Beach, on **January 30th** around 1930Z (+ - low tide) on 14260 kHz. Haystack Rock is at 235 ft. high and is the 3rd largest coastal monolith in the world. **KC7KHU** will be used with 10-80 meters capability. This "rock" does not qualify for IOTA, but the other Haystack at Pacific City does. Operating time and equipment will be limited due to tidal conditions and the distance the gear will have to be carried. A wheelchair battery will power his FT-840. The antenna will be an Outbacker mounted to a camera tripod! Large stepping stones lead from the beach to the rock. John had a real "hairy" experience here some 20 years ago, so this revisit has been a long time coming. For a preview of the rocks on the World-Wide WEB, try the URL address of:
<http://www.el.com>To/CannonBeach/> QSL via John's WA address or via InterNet E-mail:

nl7tb@owt.com

VP5, TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS. Joe, K8JP, will once again be active from **Hamlet** as **VP5/K8JP, February 12-24th**. Activity will also include entries in the **ARRL DX CW Contest** and the **CQWW 160M SSB Contest**. During the contests, he will be signing **VP5JP**. QSL via K8JP, P.O. Box 59573, Schaumburg, IL 60159-0573.

XF, REVILLAGIGEDO. Hector, XE1BEF, is now active as **XF4CA** and will be there **until January 20th**. His activity will be on all bands (160-10 meters) on CW/SSB and RTTY. QSL to home call.

XU, KAMPUCHEA (Cambodia). Mike, **XU6WV**, finds time is a real premium and has found there is not much time for operating. Most of his operation has been on 20 SSB around 2330-0015z or 1200-1300z. There has been some activity on the WARC bands. He will be putting up a 40/80 meters vertical soon. He states that he has RTTY equipment, but this is not a high priority due to his antenna situation. He is trying to arrange some free time so he can be active from Kompong Som (on the ocean) around the CQWW 160 Meters Contest.

ZK, SOUTH COOK ISLAND (HELP WANTED). Vitaly, VE6JO, will be on vacation in **Rarotonga** from **February 22nd to March 10th**. He will stay at the Puaikura Reef Hotel. Vitaly has applied for a licence, but due to a lot of travelling in Australia prior to his vacation in ZK1, he will not be able to take any equipment with him. He would like to find a station that he can use/rent for this period of time. He would like to operate CW, SSB and RTTY. Any ideas/suggestions will be very much appreciated and can be direct to Vitaly's InterNet address: markv@snc-lavalin.com

ZP0, YACYRETA ISLAND (PARAGUAY). A report from Paraguay states that a group will be operating from this island located in the Parana River from **January 19-26th**. They will be using the callsign **ZP0V**, and operations will be on SSB and CW and on 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 meters.

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